*MCC Connects: Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Be challenged. Teach some things. Learn some things. Spend a year living somewhere you never dreamed you'd go. SALT - Serving and Learning Together is MCC's year-long cross-cultural service opportunity for single Christian young adults ages 18-27. Positions now posted for Serbia, Nigeria, and Jordan... Visit <salt.mcc.org> for information and to apply.

*Please **pray for the Philippine people** who experienced the powerful Super Typhoon Haiyan. Updates on MCC's response can be viewed on our website. To make a donation please call 306.665.2555, drop off your gift at 600 - 45th Street West, Saskatoon, SK or make an on-line donation at http://mccsk.ca/

*Saturday, Nov. 23, 9 am-1 pm, Anti-Racism Workshop sponsored by Saskatoon Native Ministry. See the bulletin board poster for details. Register by Nov. 20: 306-343-5827 Leave msg.

*Saturday, Nov. 23: 10am – 4pm Bethany Manor Craft Sale and **Tea** – Come for lunch, great shopping and door prizes.

Worship Leader: Gordon Allaby Song Leader: Worship Committee Accompanist: Worship Committee This week's Nursery Care: Lucy Friesen Next week's Nursery Care: Sarah Buhler Dan Schellenberg Sound:

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Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service November 17, 2013

Prelude: 10.000 Reasons Welcome & Announcements

Our Story John Reddekopp & Christy Martens-Funk

GATHERING

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgressions for the remnant of his inheritance? God does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities under foot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old. (Micah 7:18-20)

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 113:1-3)

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: Praise, O servants of the Lord, One: Praise the name of the Lord!

Many: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and

forevermore!

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting, The name of the Lord is to be praised! All:

Invocation

*Hymns: Blue/HWB #37 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" "10.000 Reasons"

Sharing

Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

LISTENING

Children's Time and collection of Loose Change Jake Buhler **Hymn:** "Great Big God"

Offering and Offertory music Offertory Prayer

Romans 8:35-39

Hymns: "Fearfully, Wondrously, Gloriously"

Purple/SS #49 "I will come to you in the silence"

Gospel lesson: John 12:1-8

Sermon: "Serving with Extravagance" Janet Plenert

RESPONDING

*Hymn: Blue/HWB #389 "Take my life"

*Benediction

*Please rise

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping with us.

Nursery care is provided during the worship service for those who desire it (children over 4 years should be accompanied by an adult.) **Children's Worship Binder**, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

*TODAY

- Beverages and snacks available after the worship service.
- Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:15am.
- Janet Plenert will be presenting information about MDS in the sanctuary at 11:20am for all interested.
- **Floor hockey** tonight at 7:00pm.

THIS WEEK

- Thursday, November 21, 7:30pm Education Committee meeting
- Thursday, November 21, 7:30pm Worship Committee meeting
- Sunday, November 24, noon Potluck lunch, followed by congregational discussion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Plan to join in a **Potluck lunch, next Sunday**, Nov. 24th at noon, following Sunday School. Lunch will be followed by congregational discussion and everyone is encouraged to stay and participate.

*Everyone who sings is welcome to **join the Christmas choir!** Rehearsals start **next Sunday** during the Sunday School hour. The choir will sing once during Advent, December 22nd during the worship service, and on Christmas Eve as part of the Sunday School program.

*LADIES: The deacons invite all ladies to fun and fellowship at the annual **OMC Ladies Luncheon** on **Saturday, November 30**th at the Travelodge in Saskatoon. The cost is \$25/person, which covers the meal and gratuities and includes just a little extra, to help cover the cost for some for whom it is unaffordable. We want <u>all</u> ladies to attend – if you need financial help with the cost or need a ride, please speak to Adeline or Kathryn. Everyone – please sign up on the Bulletin board! Bring your mother, your daughter, your friends!

*See the bulletin board for copies of a letter regarding **Bethany Manor** and future expansion, etc.

*Today: Everyone is invited to a "Classical Music Concert" at Nutana Park Mennonite Church on Sunday, November 17 at 2:30 pm. Refreshments and fellowship will follow – there will be an offering for RJC.

*MEDA supper event Nov.19th: Keynote speaker: Wally Kroeker, Director of publications and editor of MEDA's *The marketplace* magazine. Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre. Cost \$22.00. RSVP by Nov. 15th to the Bethany office @ 306-242-9019 or email smcsi@sasktel.net

*Join Lois Siemens Thursday, Nov. 21, 6:45-8pm to celebrate the launch of her new photo book at Nutana Park Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall. Turning Aside: Observing the Kerrobert Reservoir will be available for sale and signing. Join the party!

*Canadian Mennonite invites you to a Communications Workshop featuring Editor/Publisher Dick Benner on Saturday, November 23, 12:00 – 4:00 pm at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Lunch will be included. This workshop will cover the journalistic elements of a good story and staging photographs, plus discussion of how to shape stories to fit Canadian Mennonite magazine and how to tie stories into the narrative of MC Sask and Mennonite Church Canada. Admission is free, but registration is required by email to Donna Schulz at sk@canadianmennonite.org.



Mennonite Church Canada

Please pray for and with the church: Prayer Requests for Sunday, Nov 17: *The Mennonite Church General Board, elected and appointed leadership as well as staff met last week for the Fall Leadership Assembly. Pray for these leaders as they carry out the plans and decisions that were made.

*Please pray for Mennonite Church Canada workers in the Philippines as they work to help victims of a Super Typhoon there: Dann and Joji Pantoja and all their staff at Peacebuilders Community will be working to assess needs, train church volunteers in disaster response, and make challenging decisions about prioritizing relief. Also pray for Darnell and Christina Barkman who lead Peace Church Philippines and are sending volunteers as well.

*Mennonite Church Canada News and Announcements (stay in tune with the wider church): What do your gifts to Mennonite Church Canada do? Watch a short video about our national church's ministry: www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2165

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Romans 8:35-39

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written.

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

John 12:1-8

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 5. Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'